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Title of Invention:

Method of Detecting a DNA Sequence, a DNA Sequence, a Method of Making

a DNA Construct and the Use Thereof

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as follows before examination:

IN THE CLAIMS:

In claim 8 delete "any of the preceding claims", and insert --claim 4 -- therefor.

In claim 9, delete "any of the preceding claims" and insert -- claim 8 -- therefor.

In claim 10 delete "any of the claims 1 to 8", and insert --claim 8-- therefor.

In claim 11, delete "any of the claims 1 to 8", and insert --claim 8-- therefor.

In claim 12, delete "any of the claims 1 to 8" and insert -- claim 8-- therefor.

In claim 13, defete "any of the preceding claims and insert -- claim 8 -- therefor.

In claim 18, delete "any of the preceding claims and insert -- claim 8 -- therefor.

In claim 19, delete "any of claims 1 to 19", and insert --claim 18-- therefor.

In claim 21, defete "any of claims 1 to 19", and insert --claim 18-- therefor.

In claim 22, defete "20 or".

In claim 24, delete "or 23"

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment deletes improper multiple dependency, and adds no new matter. Its entry is respectfully requested.

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